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CONTEST GROWING

CREATES ENTHUSIASM

Many Young Ladies Have Already Commenced Work in Contest

NOMINATIONS

Lois Clear, St. Helens.
Dorothy John, St. Helens.
Inez Barber, St. Helens.
Gladys Ashby, St. Helens.
Mildred Allen, St. Helens.
Marie Dixon, St. Helens.
Mrs. E. E. Dill, St. Helens.
Edrie La Bare, St. Helens.
Mrs. Earl Bard, Houlton.
Ethel Drew, St. Helens.
Edna Gartman, St. Helens.
Ella Hattan, St. Helens.
Gladys Hobbs, St. Helens.
Adella Link, St. Helens.
Fay Lynch, St. Helens.
Edna Harris, St. Helens.
Hilene Paulson, St. Helens.
Beth Perry, Houlton.
Elsie Kallberg, Warren.
Sibel Burgess, St. Helens.
Edith Clark, Houlton.
Helen White, Houlton.
Juanita Moffitt, Houlton.
Maggie Spence, Houlton.
Nellie Dunne, Houlton.
Dollie Cooley, St. Helens.
Fannie Cooper, Warren.
Florence Larson, Yankton.
Morrell Black, St. Helens.
Maud Harrison, St. Helens.
Nadine Nace, St. Helens.
Miss Morley, Houlton.
Neoma Chittim, St. Helens.

Judging from the interest that has been manifested in the great prize voting contest so far there is going to be a great scramble for the \$10 in gold to be given to the contestants having the largest number of votes on Feb. 9. The special prize is worth winning and the contestants realize the fact.

The contest is an assured fact. There has never been a contest in this locality where more or better prizes have been offered or a more strict adherence to justice and equity to all participants. The Mist desires to emphasize the point that every contestant will be afforded an absolutely fair deal.

The names of the judges will be announced soon. Bear in mind the merchants who are giving coupons with every dollar cash purchase:

Noah's Ark,
Von A. Gray,
A. T. Kiblan,
Jas. Muckle & Son,
Hilliams & Hall Co.,
E. A. Ross,
H. Morgus & Son,
A. J. Deming.

When you trade at these stores be sure and ask for coupons. Every one little piece of cardboard bearing 25 votes may win some friends of yours the beautiful Obermeyer & Sons piano.

Get your friends to subscribe for the Mist. For each one year new subscriber you will receive 600 votes; renewals for one year, 500. For each one year back subscription 400 votes.

There is already a large list of contestants but there is opportunity to nominate others. Fill out the nominating blank and send it to this office. Also cut out the vote coupon and cast it for your favorite. In order that every contestant may fully understand the votes during the contest, the Mist wishes to state that the contestant having the largest number of votes during the contest will be awarded the piano as first prize; the one having the next largest number of votes will have the first of the other prizes, and so on until all the prizes have been distributed.

Use the free coupon in this issue. If you know of any lady who has not been nominated whom you think would make a good race, use the nominating blank in this issue and send her name to this office, or bring it in person and it will be entered. It matters not if she be single or married. This is a popular voting contest, not necessarily a young lady voting contest. Read the rules and

AN OLD FLAG

"Old Glory" One Hundred Years Old

S. E. Smith presented the city of St. Helens with a flag that is worthy a place in the military archives of the United States.

The flag has been handed down in the Smith family from generations and it is known to be over 100 years old. It is faded and torn, with bullet holes and other evidence of war.

It was in the battle of Bull Run and also in the historic battle of Gettysburg.

It was used in the 100th regiment Indiana volunteers.

It measures eight by fifteen feet, with the standard number of stripes and 38 stars, representing the number of states in the union when the flag was made.

While it was presented to the city, it has not yet been formally accepted. No doubt Mayor Morton will provide some function for its formal acceptance. It is a valuable historic emblem, valuable beyond dollars, and deserves a patriotic and public expression of its real historic worth.

It will be placed in the vault of the city recorder's office, where it will be safe from fire, and what is equally as dangerous, souvenir fiends.

COLUMBIA THEATRE CHANGES HANDS

H. O. Strom of Portland, informs us that the Columbia Theatre of this city has been taken over by himself and others and will be opened by the new owners next Thursday evening, February 3rd, 1916. Not only will there be a change in owners, but a new policy will be inaugurated, the theatre showing every night in the week and also Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

The name of the theatre will also be changed, "The Strand" being the new name. The program will be changed four times every week, on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and the admission will be 5 and 10 cents for every performance.

The chug, chug, of the engine will be dispensed with and there will be music at every evening performance.

Taking it all in all, we believe the people in St. Helens and vicinity will notice a vast improvement, not only in the quality of the pictures shown, but also in their willingness and purpose in trying to please the public.

On the opening night they will present Gertrude McCoy in the great four-act tragic feature, "June Friday." There will also be shown Billie Reeves, the comedian, in "An Artful Reev."

Good shows will be appreciated by the people of St. Helens, and from what information we have, good pictures will be shown.

DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Allen entertained Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Richard Cox with a dinner party. The event was the anniversary of Mr. Allen's birth. The table was beautiful with a center piece of red carnations and ferns. The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Muckle, Washington Muckle, Mrs. Richard Cox, Al Mohr, Reese Hall and Miss Lois Clear.

regulations on another page and govern yourself accordingly. Someone is going to receive these prizes and you can help decide who it will be.

The first count in the contest will be on Wednesday, February 9, at which time \$10 in gold will be awarded to the contestant receiving the largest number of votes.

Many friends of the young ladies of St. Helens and vicinity have nominated their favorites already and above will be found the complete list of names that have been nominated to date. These contestants, now that they have been nominated by their many friends, are privileged to start in the Popular Ladies' Voting Contest immediately. Remember there is a great deal of fact in the little saying, "The early bird catches the first worm." An early start will help a great deal.

ST. HELENS LUMBER CO. AND ALLIED PLANTS

The Timberman of Portland, has the following sketch of the McCormick interests in this place:

The Chas. R. McCormick interests of San Francisco, have installed, during the past few years, enterprises at St. Helens, Ore., which in importance and variety rank high among the operations on the Columbia and Willamette rivers.

The company operates two sawmills, the St. Helens Lumber Co. and the Columbia County Lumber Co., the combined cut of which approximated 82,500,000 feet during 1915, this being the record cut of the Portland and Columbia river districts for the year. In addition to the two mills which are under the active management of H. F. McCormick, the company has the St. Helens Creosoting Co. and the St. Helens Shipbuilding Co., the former under the management of W. B. Wiggins with offices at Portland and the latter in charge of J. H. Price, a well known and capable shipbuilder who for a number of years owned the Price shipyards at Prosper, Ore.

A logging camp with eight miles of railroad is operated in connection with the sawmills, with Delmar Masten in charge. This camp has been running since September, logging about 3,000,000 feet monthly.

The St. Helens Creosoting Co. has done a good business during 1915 and is ready for a busy year in 1916.

The St. Helens Shipbuilding Co. has under construction three scows 96 ft. by 28 ft. by 6 ft. 8 inches, for the Columbia Contract Co. of Portland.

The Chas. R. McCormick Co.'s fleet now consists of ten steamers and one schooner. The vessels are the steamers Klamath, Willamette, Multnomah, Celilo, Wapama, Yosemite, San Ramon, J. B. Stetson, Temple E. Dorr, Nehalem and the schooner Forest Home. Each boat is operated by a separate company of which Chas. R. McCormick is the head.

Manager H. F. McCormick has gathered around him a group of loyal and able assistants. S. C. Morton, auditor of the St. Helens Lumber Co., is also mayor of the city. C. C. Cassatt is a valuable man in the sales end of the business. C. B. Mann is bookkeeper for the St. Helens Shipbuilding Co. and has offices at the yards on Sauvie Island.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Tuesday evening one of the fastest basketball games of the season was played in the Sunset gymnasium, between the S. H. H. S. and Franklin H. S.

The score was 16 to 18 in favor of the latter with only one more minute to play, when our boys showed up their "pep" and ran the score up to 19 to 18 in our favor.

Every member of the team played a good, fast game throughout. The lineup for St. Helens was as follows: forwards, Wellington and Deavers; guards, Zyssett and Laws; center, Perry; Brous substituted for Deavers in the last part of the last half.

We have a new student enrolled in our ranks. Wednesday morning Miss Addie Adams of Portland, registered in the sophomore class and we understand will be an addition to our tennis team next spring.

Saturday evening our baseball team meets Rainier on the latter's floor and we hope to score a victory over them in return for the defeat we met from their hands a short time ago.

Last Monday morning all eyes were attracted to the new program that had been put on the scoreboard during the week end. Some class.

Notice to all whom it may concern: All those who are not good footracers are advised to go around by the Congregational church when entering town as the boys are throwing the snow away from around the school building, and there might be danger of your receiving some of this on your structures, as many know from experience.

Our sub-freshies are progressing very well in their classes and are beginning to act like students, already.

WEATHER REPORTS

The twelve inches of the "beautiful snow" have disappeared and mother earth is again in evidence.

However, snow commenced falling again Monday evening, and on the following morning the ground was covered to a depth of five inches.

The recent cold spell was a record breaker, that is to hear the expressions of the present time. The human mind is very unreliable, especially when it comes to the weather. "Never saw the like since '88," was the universal comment.

Well, you have, too.

No longer ago than four years, a similar winter was experienced. January 7, 1912, there was a foot of snow and a sheet of sleet on top. The weather was clear and cold. The mill closed. The next day four additional inches of snow fell. The snow was so heavy that the shed over the planer broke down with a crash, breaking pipes, setting the sprinkling business in operation, flooding that part of the mill. The warmth of the steam inside the mill caused tons of snow to slide down. The day following the mercury registered 16 above.

We received the above information from J. Q. Gage, who was employed at the mill at the time and recorded the condition of the weather and events at the time.

OBITUARY.

WATKINS

Glen Watkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Watkins, was born December 14, 1885, in St. Helens, and died January 19, at his home in this city. He received his education and spent nearly all his life in St. Helens.

Glen had a great many friends here and in the surrounding cities. He is survived by a mother and father, one brother and a nephew, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Watkins, Frederick Watkins and Kenneth Pratt.

The funeral was held from the Congregational church, Rev. J. Foster, officiating.

BROEDER

Mrs. Ruth Broeder (Ruth Decker) was born December 14, 1896, in St. Helens, Oregon, and died January 19, in Portland. Mrs. Broeder received her education in St. Helens and lived in this city until six years ago, when she moved to Portland, where she lived until her death. Mrs. Broeder was married April 4, 1915, in Portland, to Elmer Broeder. The funeral took place in Portland. She is survived by a husband, mother and father, brother, grandmother and two aunts, Elmer Broeder, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Decker, Harold Decker, Mrs. Decker, Mrs. Eugene Miles and Miss Maude Decker.

SUNSET VICTORIOUS

The Sunset basketball team showed its old time superiority last Saturday evening by annexing an easy victory over the C. B. C. junior alumni, Portland. The final score ended 45 to 16 in our boys' favor. It seemed for awhile that the Sunsets were going to have a real walk away, but the Portland boys came back strong in the second half and held the score about even. It was a much better game than the score indicates, as both teams were up and coming all the time, but the team work of the home club was bound to triumph. Had Clifford, the miniature forward for C. B. C. been in form, the score would have been far different. A small crowd witnessed the game, which shows that the Sunset club is not getting the support they should. They will always assure you of a good game, so turn out and help them win. This coming Saturday night (29th) a game has been scheduled with the second team from the Multnomah club of Portland.

REAL WINTER

F. P. Phillips of The Dalles, spent several days in this city during the past week. While The Dalles is only a little over 100 miles up the Columbia from here, they had real winter weather during the recent cold spell. Mr. Phillips informs us that the mercury registered 17 degrees below zero, and cattle were driven across Columbia on the ice.

AS OTHERS SEE US

The City of St. Helens "Plucks the Grapes"

Once again the little city of St. Helens on the Columbia river, steps forth and "plucks the grapes." The shipyards there are making another giant five-masted, motor-power schooner, the building of which will keep dozens of high-priced mechanics at work for the next six months. Already on the ways there sits the City of Portland, almost a mate of the ship just started and perhaps the largest single deck wooden ship in the world.

Thus is St. Helens showing there is not only a demand for wooden ships on this coast, but also what local capital can do when turned toward shipbuilding.

A short time ago St. Helens got an order to bid in five or six ships. The yards were already full and word was sent back to the Eastern firm that at least two of the contracts would have to be sent to Portland. St. Helens couldn't handle them all.

The new motor schooner will be almost 300 feet long, with a beam of 46 feet and a carrying capacity of 2,000,000 feet of timber, or practically 3500 tons dead weight. For rapid loading and unloading, the vessel will have four steam winches.

A report from St. Helens declares that "the shipbuilding company will have to double its force of workmen and make all possible haste to get both vessels out as soon as possible, for the freight rates are very high now and vessels very scarce and these two ships are in demand."

Cos Bay has the facilities for building good-sized sail and steam schooners, as many good craft that sail the seas give ample evidence. Marshfield Times.

LATE NEWS FROM WARREN

School reopened Monday.

What a beautiful picture the snow makes on trees and fences.

Miss Mary Thomas returned Sunday evening for school duties.

Mrs. Nelson of Goble, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Farr.

Mr. McKinstir, the new blacksmith, has returned from visiting his family at Goble.

Albert Larson is making use of the snow in getting logs from his timber down to the bay.

Most of the school children are getting two sleighrides a day now and some fun between times.

Next Tuesday evening will be the last meeting of our Grange before the Pomona meets and the master urges every member to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Turner of Gresham, have moved onto the Muckle ranch. Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Anderson have moved into their cottage in St. Helens.

Pomona Grange will be held here Feb. 5th. The afternoon meeting will be open to the public. Speakers from the Oregon Agricultural College are expected to be present.

There were more than thirty in attendance at the Taxpayers' meeting Tuesday evening, including several from St. Helens. The recall was the main subject of discussion. The constitution and by-laws adopted by the county league were adopted here. Officers were elected for the coming year as follows: P. H. Lund, president; C. J. Larson, vice president; Oscar Erickson, secretary-treasurer.

CHURCHES.

Episcopal Church.

There will be a service in Christ Episcopal church next Sunday evening, Jan. 30, at 7:30. All are welcome.

Congregational Church.

10 a. m., Bible school; 11 a. m., "God's Finger Post;" 6:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor; 7:30 p. m., "Dead Flies" Violin solo by Prof. McCoy. Special singing. John Foster, Ph. B., B. D., minister.

M. E. Church.

There will be the regular services at the M. E. church on Sunday. If necessary, oil stoves will be used to bring the temperature up to the comfortable point. Let all members and friends come out. F. N. Sandifur, pastor.

A GREAT SHOWING

1915 LUMBER SHIPMENTS

Shipments of St. Helens Lumber Co. 100,000,000 Feet

The year just closed was considered an unfortunate one in the lumber trade, but the shipments from this place during the year 1915, makes a remarkably good showing. The total output of the two plants is in excess of 70,000,000 feet and added to this is the output of the creosoting plant and a piling and tie concern which brings the total shipments for the year over 100,000,000 feet board measure.

The total shipments for the year were as follows: January, seven ships, 5,000,000 feet; February, nine ships, 5,000,000 feet; March, 18 ships, 7,500,000 feet; April, 15 ships, 5,700,000 feet; May, 15 ships, 6,500,000 feet; June, 10 ships, 4,000,000 feet; July, 16 ships, 7,000,000 feet; Aug., 11 ships, 8,000,000 feet; September, nine ships, 3,800,000 feet; Oct., 10 ships, 4,500,000 feet; Nov., 10 ships, 4,800,000 feet; Dec., nine ships, 4,600,000 feet.

The greater part of this has been shipped to San Francisco and Southern California ports for distribution among the mines of Utah and New Mexico, but the following shipments have been made for foreign and Atlantic coast delivery:

For Peru, one cargo, 900,000 feet; for Australia, one cargo, 850,000 feet; for London, one cargo, 3,000,000 feet; for India, one cargo, 3,500,000 feet; for Mexico, two cargoes, 2,100,000 feet; for Honolulu, two cargoes, 2,050,000 feet; for New York, two cargoes, 2,600,000 feet.

With the increased demand for lumber, it is expected the production of 1916 will add greatly to that of the past year.

As an interesting fact in regard to the pay roll of longshoremen in stowing the above shipments, it costs from 75c to \$1.00 per thousand to load vessels.

SAFETY FORUM

Upon invitation from the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the St. Helens Commercial Club has sent delegates there to a special meeting called Safety Forum and after a banquet short addresses will be made by Mr. Marshall of Oregon Industrial Accident Commission on "Conserving Human Energy"; L. C. Gilman, pres. S. P. & S. Ry., "The Value of Human Life"; Harvey Wells, State Insurance Commissioner, "The Price of Inefficiency". The delegates sent were Mayor S. C. Morton, R. H. Rawson, superintendent Creosoting plant, and Judge John Philip.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The St. Helens Woman's Club held a very interesting meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. I. W. Day. The subject for the program was James Whitcomb Riley. Selections from Riley's poems were read by several of the ladies. Mrs. Day served chocolate.

The club meets every second and fourth Tuesday at 2:30. The subject of the next meeting will be Lincoln, roll call to be answered by quotations from Lincoln.

A GOOD RECORD

The council did not meet Monday evening for the reason that no quorum was present. Recorder Quick informs us that this is only the second meeting since the election of the present council when a quorum failed to respond. Mighty good record.

BIRTHS.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Kelsey, of Trenholm, Jan. 20, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Sib Miller of Railroad addition, January 21, a daughter.

By wireless it is learned that the schooner Virginia, recently purchased by local capital, is ten days out of Sydney and will reach Grays Harbor about March 15, when it will be turned over to the new owners.